

What City's Conscience Fund Would Be If Everybody Here Turned Honest



Madison Square Garden Wouldn't Hold the Money if All Grafters Followed Brooklyn Man's Example--But They Are Not Likely to Do It, Says Politician Who Admits He Got "His."

Announcement that Controller Fendergast has received \$100 for the city's conscience fund from a Brooklyn man, who says he cheated the city out of that amount on one of his snow removal contracts, has started many persons speculating as to what the city would be worth if all its officials and servants should regain consciousness. It is generally conceded that if the thousands who have cheated Father Knickerbocker should turn honest there wouldn't be enough room on Manhattan Island for his wealth.

"Not that they are likely to do it," said one politician, who admitted that he had got "his," "but just imagine what that conscience fund would look like if the men who have had the contracts for removing snow in the last twenty-five years should

suddenly decide to return the money they didn't earn. By packing the money in tight they might get the conscience fund in Madison Square Garden."

"Others besides the snow men have cheated the city," he suggested.

"The snow men got only a small part of it," he went on. "What about the city officials who get enormous salaries and put in but a few hours a week at their desks? What about the clerks who follow the examples of their superiors? None of them would have any trouble trying to dig up occasions when they poked Father Knickerbocker's pockets. If the policemen, teachers, street and dock employees and all the others should get conscience stricken the fund would make the highest mountain in the world look like a ditch."

"And if everybody should turn honest?"

"It would make a mighty interesting situation. Just think of the vast amount of money that would have to be turned over to husbands, money plucked from

pockets while they slept! Ticket speculators would turn over millions to theatre-goers, waiters and hat boys would turn over millions to their victims, grocers and butchers would transfer all their worldly possessions to customers they have been short weighting, landlords and janitors would make restitution to tenants, physicians would make general assignments in favor of their patients, and clergymen would be compelled to turn back millions in marriage fees."

"How long do you suppose it would take to straighten out the tangle?"

"At least a dozen centuries. And then when everybody had what belonged to him we would start in to rob each other again. But there's no danger of that conscience fund assuming unmanageable proportions. It was a Brooklyn man that sent back that money. You never heard of anybody from Manhattan returning anything. I wonder how anybody with a conscience can live in Brooklyn."

GIRL'S BROTHER ACCUSES NEIGHBOR

Man Brought Before Mayor of Cincinnati, Ohio, Stoutly Protests His Innocence.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] CINCINNATI, Ohio, Monday.—Brought face to face in the office of Mayor John C. Goelzer this afternoon, Henry Hagelanz affirmed and David McKinley as emphatically denied complicity in the murder of the former's sister, Fannie Hagelanz, on St. Valentine Day, 1909. For the first time in many weeks the two men met, surrounded by investigating officers, who wrested a second confession, little by little, from the lips of the man who admits having hired two others to slay his own kin.

Edward McKinley, the third person alleged to know something about the crime, was not questioned at length to-day, mainly because he is on the verge of collapse.

Hagelanz told how the McKinley brothers, Edward and David, came to him, told him that they had killed his sister and asked for compensation. Never during the questioning did the brother admit that he had employed anyone to kill his sister. However, he maintained that on the day following the discovery of the body, the McKinleys came to him, revealed the details of the crime and made a demand for \$1,000, remarking that the dead should be worth that amount, considering the fact that he would come into possession of the \$35,000 estate left by the sister.

At that time the brother furnished the men \$150 each, remarking that he would see them again. Then at later dates, twice as a Columbus market, and once in an alley of High street in the same city, Hagelanz admits that he turned over to the two McKinley amounts aggregating \$1,000.

All of these statements were positively denied by David McKinley. The authorities have positioned themselves in the central place of Keltz, the farm hand also accused of the murder, who is said to have killed himself.

NAMES FAMOUS MEN IN THURSTON NOTE

Ambassador Reid and Mr. Gage Casually Referred to in Coast Will Contest.

BAK IDRO, Cal., Monday.—The names of Ambassador Whitelaw Reid and Lyman Gage, formerly Secretary of the Treasury, were mentioned to-day in the Thurston will contest, in a letter from Mrs. Harriet P. Thurston to Theodore H. Leake, an Eastern architect. The letter was read in the course of Mr. Leake's testimony on behalf of George L. Patterson, the contestant.

Writing from "Tent Village," Point Loma, where the society, headed by Mrs. Katherine Flingle, is located, Mrs. Thurston, under date of May 13, 1908, said:

"I have a sweet little maid to wait on me who attends to the tent work. She is a student, one of the older ones, and is a cousin of Ogden Mills and Ambassador Gage's wife, who is a Mills. My girl is named Hazel Mills, so you will see the maid is higher up in family connections than the mistress. My Julia is to be separated as soon as her tent is put up on my beautiful grounds, next to the lot of Mr. Lyman Gage. Julia thinks she would like him for a stepfather, but I am not of her opinion."

The Julia mentioned is Mrs. Quinn, daughter of Mrs. Thurston.

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FEWER ARRESTS AIM OF MAYOR GAYNOR

Wants Plan of Having Policemen Issue Summonses for Minor Offences Extended.

Mayor Gaynor favors extending the plan of having policemen issue court summonses for minor offenses instead of making arrests. He hopes thereby to reduce still further the number of arrests.

"Each policeman should be provided with a book of blank summonses," the Mayor stated in a letter to William McAdoo, Chief Magistrate, "so that a summons may be issued at any time and without formal proceedings for any minor offense which should be brought into court."

"Of course there are a great many petty things that should not be brought into court at all, and I am glad to say that in respect of them the police are acting with great good sense and discretion."

The Mayor said he was gratified by the report he had received from Magistrate McAdoo, showing the total number of arrests made in 1911 without warrants in Manhattan and the Bronx was 107,228, as against 118,802 in 1910.

Yesterday's Fires.

Fires recorded yesterday were—

12:20 A. M., No. 202 East Thirtieth street; Mary Mandel; \$10.

1:15 A. M., No. 229 Fourth avenue; H. A. Claser; no damage.

1:35 A. M., No. 43 East Fifty-second street; Mantel; trifling.

1:55 A. M., No. 102 East Twenty-fifth street; Fifth Avenue Auction Rooms; no damage.

2:20 A. M., No. 174 East 104th street; I. Winters; \$10.

2:30 A. M., No. 240 First avenue; S. Finck; trifling.

2:55 A. M., No. 216 Church street; H. B. Claffin Company; no damage.

3:10 A. M., No. 125 East Eighteenth street; Greenhut-Seigel-Cooper Company; no damage.

3:40 A. M., No. 378 Third avenue; S. Saltzman; no damage.

3:50 A. M., No. 252 West Seventy-sixth street; Hotel Wyland; trifling.

4:20 A. M., No. 80-82 Leonard street; C. Bahnsen & Co.; no damage.

4:30 A. M., Nos. 295-297 Cherry street; American Book Binding Company; \$500.

4:40 A. M., 15th street and Sherman avenue; Pullman Car Company; \$100.

7:15 A. M., No. 385 East Eleventh street; H. W. Ehrlich; no damage.

8:30 A. M., northbound "L" station, Rivington and Allen streets; \$25.

9 A. M., No. 1499 Bathgate avenue; N. Schneidbach; slight.

10:05 A. M., No. 363 East 133d street; Ernest Batterman; \$1,000.

11 A. M., No. 599 Columbus avenue; C. Seidner; trifling.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

To Former Tenants of the EQUITABLE BUILDING

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Following the directions received from the Bureau of Buildings, we are engaged in the tearing down of unsafe walls and shoring and making safe the unsafe portions of the premises. Incident to this work rubbish is being carted away from the premises. Reasonable precautions are being taken to segregate from the rubbish papers and other matter having the appearance of direct or collateral value.

Tenants who are properly identified can, by applying at our office on the Pine Street side of the lot, have their authorized representatives take part in the examination of rubbish, with a view to reducing to a minimum the hauling away of property which may be of some value.

THOMPSON-STARRETT COMPANY

MR. T. H. SHEVLIN, CAPITALIST, IS DEAD

Lumberman Widely Known in Northwest Succumbs in California—Father of Yale Coach.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Monday.—Mr. Thomas H. Shevlin, capitalist and lumberman, and for many years prominent in the Northwest, died of uræmic poisoning to-day in Pasadena, Cal., according to information received here.

Mr. Shevlin was born January 3, 1852, in Albany, N. Y., and removed to Chicago in 1875, later going into the lumber business at Muskegon, Mich. He removed to Minneapolis in 1888 and engaged in the lumber business, and in 1892 the Shevlin-Carpenter Company was formed.

For four years preceding the last National Convention he was the Minnesota member of the Republican National Committee. He was greatly interested in the State University, giving a building to that school and recently granting five scholarships of \$10,000 each.

Surviving are Mrs. C. C. Beckwith and Mrs. D. B. Tenney, daughters, and a son, Mr. Thomas L. Shevlin, Yale's famous football coach. Mrs. Shevlin died in 1910.

MR. W. H. JOHNSON, PHILANTHROPIST, DIES

Mr. Wolcott Howe Johnson, a wealthy retired business man, died at his home, Boston, Mass., yesterday of pneumonia. Mr. Johnson for many years was a member of the dry goods firm of C. F. Hovey & Co. He was a trustee of Buphrates College, in Turkey, and liberally supported this college and foreign missions generally. He was a large contributor toward the projected new building of the Boston Young Men's Christian Association.

Mr. Johnson was married in New York to Miss Mary L. Betts, who, with four children, survives him. He was a member of the University, Eastern Yacht, Country, Myopia Hunt, Algonquin and other clubs in Massachusetts, and of the University Club of New York.

OBITUARY.

MR. HENRY C. VALENTINE. Mr. Henry C. Valentine, for many years the president of Valentine & Co., varnish manufacturers, died at his home, No. 131 East Sixty-sixth street, yesterday at the age of eighty-one. In the late fifties he entered the varnish business with his elder brother, the late Mr. Lawson Valentine. He was elected president of Valentine & Co. in 1882 and resigned the presidency in 1900 to become chairman of the Board of Directors. He retired from business in 1906. Mr. Valentine left a widow, a son and a daughter. He was a member of the Union League Club and the New England Society.

Obituary Notes.

The Rev. Richard P. H. Vall, D. D., died yesterday at Williamsstown, Mass. He was well known in Stamford, Conn., during a pastorate of twenty-six years in the Presbyterian Church, from which he resigned in 1902. Later in New York he engaged in literary work. He was graduated from Williams College in 1864 and Princeton Theological Seminary.

Mr. John G. P. Coffran, fifty-five years old, vice president of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, died yesterday of apoplexy. Mr. Coffran was elected vice president of the insurance company in 1909, when he went to Hartford from Chicago. He left a widow.

After an illness of two years Mr. Charles W. Hallock, sixty-five years old, died at his home, No. 194 Thomas street, Glen Ridge, N. J., Sunday. Her husband is dangerously ill at his home.

The Very Rev. Dean J. J. Hamel, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Olean, N. Y., died of paralysis yesterday. He was born in Brooklyn in 1850. Father Hamel made several pilgrimages to the Holy Land.

Mr. Elisha W. Odyoko, formerly sheriff of Huntington county, N. J., died at his home in Frenchtown, N. J., yesterday, from congestion of the lungs. He was fifty-eight years old.

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MR. NEWMAN COWAN DEAD AT AGE OF 80

After Amassing a Fortune in Real Estate He Was Prominent in Philanthropic Work.

Mr. Newman Cowan, for twenty years prominent in Jewish charities in New York and vice president of the Jewish Seminary, died of heart disease yesterday at his home, No. 35 East Sixtieth street.

Until his retirement from business twenty years ago, Mr. Cowan was an extensive operator in real estate, in which he amassed a fortune. Practically all of his time since then has been devoted to charitable work. He was a member of numerous Jewish societies and fraternities and was president of the Congregation B'Nai Jesurun. When he celebrated the eightieth anniversary of his birth early this month the members of the congregation presented to him a silver loving cup. He left six children.

MRS. MARY K. BABBITT IS KILLED BY GAS

Noted Lecturer Found Dead in Bed with an Open Book Before Her.

Mrs. Mary King Babbitt, wife of Professor Eugene Howard Babbitt, was accidentally asphyxiated by illuminating gas in her apartment in the home of Mrs. H. B. Long, No. 40 East Twenty-ninth street, yesterday. Her body was found propped up in bed and an open book lay before her. Mrs. Babbitt was a lecturer and was soon to have delivered a course of lectures before the Ethical Culture Society of this city.

Mrs. Babbitt before her marriage was Mary Brigham King. She was graduated from Vassar in 1882 and was in her fifth year. She was married to Professor Eugene Babbitt in 1891, and together they followed their literary inclinations. Word of Mrs. Babbitt's death was sent to her husband in Bridgewater, Conn.

AGED CHEMIST FOUND DEAD.

Wilcon Arakelian Dies in Little Room in Tenement.

Surrounded by heaps of papers, pamphlets, bottles of chemicals and acids, the body of Wilcon Arakelian, eighty-three years old, a recluse chemist, was discovered yesterday in his little room in the rear tenement at No. 417 East Twenty-fourth street, where for twenty-three years he had boarded with Mrs. Mary Kelly. His death, according to the report of the police, was from natural causes.

The aged chemist, so far as is known, had no relatives in this city. It is said in the neighborhood that he formerly had a family here, but twelve years ago they went to the Pacific coast.

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